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MEMORANDUM FOR U.S. NAVAL AIR FACILITY ATSUGI

From: Commanding Officer, U.S. Naval Air Facility Atsugi

Subj: PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY DECLARATION/UPDATED ORDER

Ref: (a) COMUSFJ Public Health Emergency Declaration Memo of 14 Mar 21
(b) COMUSFJ Force Public Health Order 21-002 of 1 Jul 21
(c) DoD Instruction 6200.03
(d) COMNAVREGJAPAN Memo of 2 Apr 20
(e) COMNAVFORJAPAN Memo of 13 Jul 21
(f) COMNAVFORJAPAN Memo of 22 Jun 21
(g) COMPACFLT DTG 020307Z Apr 21
(h) NAF Atsugi Public Health Emergency Declaration of 5 Aug 21
(i) NAFATSUGIINST 5512.9H
(j) NAF Atsugi Instruction 1752.3L, Family Advocacy Program
(k) CNFJ Mask Policy (Update III)
(l) USFJ Liberty Order for All U.S. Military Forces Located or Operating in Japan of 2 Mar 20

Encl: (1) **Approved Area Map for Local Liberty/Off Duty**
<https://www.google.com/maps/d/u/0/viewer?fbclid=IwAR2FRXnlLhmWGrz6H3sWp6AugOCdmTqLoXnUVd9mewCkG5FbQn0nxM1BSzY&mid=1sTobRyYls0TIXF7t7GRAP3PimbIFjF67&ll=35.49836069404528%2C138.46006749999998&z=5>

1. Purpose. U.S. Naval Air Facility (NAF) Atsugi's coronavirus-related (COVID-19) missions remain unchanged:

- a. Protect the health and welfare of our community.
- b. Minimize the spread of COVID-19 and maintain the warfighting readiness of our entire force.

2. Intent and Applicability. The intent of this order is to provide specific allowances during Health Protection Condition Bravo (HPCON B) conditions and prevent the spread of COVID-19 onboard NAF Atsugi. This order provides guidelines for conduct on and off the installation and defines the areas where leave, unofficial travel, off-duty time, and liberty may be conducted. This order is in addition to all Commander, United States Forces Japan (COMUSFJ) and Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Japan/Navy Region Japan (CNFJ/CNRJ) COVID-19 guidance, instructions, and policies. These are in effect until cancelled or superseded. This order applies to all military personnel, Department of Defense civilians, retirees, contractors, and dependents

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assigned to, residing in, or onboard NAF Atsugi. Master Labor Contract (MLC) employees and Indirect Hire Agreement (IHA) employees working on NAF Atsugi are encouraged to follow this order to the maximum extent practicable. Reference (h) is superseded by this update.

3. Background. Per references (a) through (c), a PHE declaration authorizes Installation Commanding Officers to take relevant emergency actions to respond to the situation to achieve the greatest public health benefit while maintaining operational effectiveness. Other authorities granted under a PHE include, but are not limited to, directing service members to submit to medical examinations or testing; controlling or restricting the distribution of commodities; closing, directing the evacuation of, or decontaminating any asset or facility that endangers public health; and controlling ingress and egress to and from the installation.

4. In support of the PHE, the following updates to policies and restrictions are implemented in accordance with references (a) through (l). This order will go into effect upon its release:

a. Illness or Suspected Illness. If, for any reason, you believe you are ill or are exhibiting Influenza Like Illness (ILI) symptoms, you are required to: contact your supervisor, stay home, isolate yourself, and call your medical care provider. Everything and everyone under this order is dependent on your ability to stop the spread of COVID-19.

b. Mask/Face coverings. **Per reference (k), mask wear for fully vaccinated personnel is no longer mandatory at DoD facilities with the following exceptions: masks are required at military treatment facilities, Department of Defense Educational Activities (DODEA) facilities, while engaged with host nation personnel, and while transiting through any entry control point. For non-fully vaccinated personnel (this includes individuals under the age of 12 for which vaccines are not yet approved), mask use and physical distancing remain mandatory at all times while onboard NAF Atsugi with the exception of the individual's personal residence. Off installation, masks are mandatory for all personnel regardless of status. All personnel shall have immediate access to a mask at all times on and off installation. Unit commanders and activity directors with more restrictive policies shall post them prominently at their facilities to ensure compliance. Masks shall be worn such that both the mouth and nose are covered completely.**

c. Hand washing and hygiene. To minimize the risk of exposure and spread, personnel are reminded to: frequently wash their hands for a minimum of 20 seconds; use hand sanitizer often; avoid touching their face; avoid shaking hands and touching others; practice sneeze/cough etiquette; limit exposure to individuals from other households; limit exposure to high-traffic areas; and consider wearing gloves when travelling on public transportation.

d. Close contact tracing. Per references (b) and (d), all non-fully vaccinated personnel shall keep a 14-day running log of all movements/travel and close contacts. Close contacts are those persons with whom you have been within six feet or two meters for longer than 15 minutes, cumulatively, within a 24-hour period, with or without masks or face coverings.

e. Guests on NAF Atsugi. **Guests are authorized per reference (i).**

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f. Curfew. Abide by local city official curfews where they exist. Where less restrictive, the USFJ standard curfew applies. See reference (I).

g. Enclosure (1) depicts Green Zones (normal risk), Red Zones (highest risk), and Grey Zones (outside of approved leave/liberty/off duty time/unofficial travel). This map will be updated weekly and posted on the NAF Atsugi Facebook page.

h. The following applies to all personnel in ALL Zones and prefectures on liberty, leave, or unofficial travel:

(1) Use of public transportation is authorized. Consumption of alcohol on public transportation is prohibited. Mask/Face coverings shall be worn at all times, and wearing gloves is highly recommended. Personnel are cautioned to limit use of mass transit, avoid crowded transit lines, and maintain mitigations set forth in this order.

(2) Individuals may visit other Department of Defense (DoD) installations as long as the installation is not in HPCON C or D.

(3) Visiting installations in HPCON C or D is authorized for official business only with concurrence of the visitor's Commanding Officer.

(4) On the installation, home-based businesses and personal commercial activities offering food and personalized services (i.e. nails, haircuts, massage, etc.) may be authorized on a case by case basis.

(5) Group and team activities (exercise, soccer, basketball, Captains Cup, etc.) as well as contact sports (martial arts, wrestling) are authorized. **Mask/Face Covering guidelines put forth in 4.b of this instruction shall be adhered to.**

i. The following applies to all Green Zones (does not include the area within the NAF Atsugi fence-line):

(1) Indoor and outdoor venues and events are authorized, exercise increased caution to minimize exposure to crowded areas.

(2) Overnight stays at off-base hotels or ryokans (to include private lodging rentals) are authorized.

j. The following applies to all Red Zones (does not include the area within the NAF Atsugi fence-line):

(1) Indoor dining is not authorized; dining outdoors and ordering/picking up food to-go is authorized.

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(2) All indoor events and venues where the concentration or proximity of people make physically distancing difficult are not authorized. Examples that are not authorized include, but are not limited to, beauty parlors, tattoo parlors, aquariums, zoos, amusement parks, concerts, onsens, public baths, or swimming pools.

(3) Overnight stays at off-base hotels or ryokans (to include private lodging rentals) are not authorized. DOD-owned and operated hotels (Tama Hills, Hardy Barracks, and The New Sanno) are authorized.

(4) Parks and other like outdoor venues, outdoor sporting events, and outdoor festivals are authorized. Personnel are still directed to avoid crowded areas and maintain mitigations set forth in this order.

k. Inside Black Zones individuals may travel to and conduct only the following essential travel and activities:

(1) Medical or dental appointments; employment; education; vehicle registration; paying bills or taxes; pet care from veterinary providers or kennels; conducting business with government offices including embassies.

l. For individuals living in a Black Zone:

(1) Travel to yellow and red zones and complying with paragraphs 4.i and 4.j is authorized.

(2) Within 10 km of an individual's own residence, individuals may travel for and purchase food, fuel, and other key essentials needed for personal or family needs; car repairs/maintenance; or for domicile repair and upkeep. As well within 10 km, outdoor exercise (e.g. running, walking, cycling, hiking, going to the park, camping, and fishing) in sparsely populated or low traffic areas is authorized. Outdoor water recreation activities (e.g. kayaking, paddle-boarding, sailing, and surfing) are authorized.

m. Leave and unofficial travel. Leave/unofficial travel in Japan is only authorized within yellow or green prefectures on the CNFJ Japan Prefecture Status Map. Approval authority for leave (including emergency leave) is delegated to a level NOT lower than the unit Commander, Commanding Officer, Officer-in-Charge, or Civilian Equivalent per references (f) and (g), as appropriate. Leave to a red prefecture in Japan shall only be considered for humanitarian reasons. Any individual returning from leave from a red area may be subject to additional restrictions upon return. Per reference (a), DoD personnel will comply with any DoD, Federal, State, and local restrictions while in a leave status in CONUS or other countries. Approval authority for leave, unofficial travel, and traveling to, from, or through Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Travel Health Notices Level 3 or 4 (COVID-19) designated locations remains in accordance with references (f) - (g).

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(1) Should a leave area change to red while an individual is on leave or unofficial travel in that area, the individual shall contact their command for further guidance. Commands shall notify those individuals on leave or unofficial travel in those areas as well as the leave approval authority. At the discretion of the leave approval authority, that individual may continue approved leave or unofficial travel. However, they are only authorized to conduct essential activities as depicted in paragraphs 4.k and 4.l. NAF Atsugi leave or leave extensions shall not be granted for red prefectures.

n. Restriction of Movement. All personnel arriving from locations outside of Japan are required to complete a Restriction of Movement (ROM) in accordance with references (b) and (e). If fully vaccinated it is a 10 day ROM with test on day 5, if unvaccinated it is a 14 day ROM with test on day 5.

5. Group and Gathering Limits On and Off Installation:

a. **On Installation gatherings have no size limit.**

b. **Off Installation gatherings have no size limit. Comply with prefectural guidance and individual establishment policies.**

c. **Regardless of location, Mask/Face Covering guidelines put forth in 4.b of this instruction shall be adhered to.**

6. I have determined that the above restrictions are reasonable to accomplish the military mission aboard NAF Atsugi. The importance that every unit Commander must place on individual responsibility cannot be overstated. Further, each member of the Atsugi community has a personal responsibility to uphold the guidance, policies, and procedures put forth through this order. This memorandum is punitive and constitutes a lawful order for service members. Service members may be subject to disciplinary and/or administrative action. Civilian noncompliance may result in administrative sanctions, to include temporary or permanent debarment from the installation, loss of command sponsorship, and/or early return to the United States.

7. NAFA, I thank you for your steadfast understanding and ask that all continue to support each other. Our vaccination rates are good, to include our Japanese co-workers, but we can get better. More opportunities for continued vaccinations remain both inside and outside of our fence line for both SOFA and the local populations. This invisible enemy remains active, and the Delta Variant remains prevalent. Until we reach the end, I ask that you remain vigilant and considerate. If not fully vaccinated you are a risk; please consider what you can do to protect those around you.


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